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MONTANA SENATE 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Call to Order: Chair Edward Buttrey, on January 31, 2017 at 8:00 AM, in Room 422
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Edward Buttrey, Chair (R)
Sen. Dee Brown, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Pat Connell (R)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Sen. Daniel R. Salomon (R)
Sen. Jason D. Small (R)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
Jameson Walker, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 26, 1/18/2017; HB 138, 1/19/2017

00:00:01 Chair Buttrey

HEARING ON HB 26

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:35 Rep. Tom Welch (R), HD 72, opened the hearing on HB 26. Revise board of housing loan-servicing laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:35 Bruce Brensdal, executive director, Montana Board of Housing, Department of Commerce (MBOH)
00:07:13 Steve Turkiewicz, president, Montana Bankers Association
00:08:14 Melanie Hall, commissioner, Banking and Financial Division, Department of Administration (DOA)
00:09:40 Jim Brown, Montana Independent Bankers Association (MIBA)
00:10:19 Peggy Trenk, Montana Housing Coalition
00:11:22 Mark Simonich, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:11:53 Sen. Brown
00:13:01 Mr. Simonich, MAR
00:14:06 Sen. Brown
00:14:24 Mr. Brensdal, MBOH
00:14:56 Sen. Fitzpatrick
00:15:15 Mr. Brensdal
00:16:32 Sen. Brown
00:17:43 Mr. Brensdal
00:18:54 Sen. Facey
00:19:15 Mr. Brensdal
00:19:28 Sen. Facey
00:20:11 Mr. Brown, MIBA
00:20:23 Sen. Facey
00:20:29 Ms. Hall, DOA
00:21:47 Sen. Connell
00:22:28 Mr. Brensdal
00:22:59 Chair Buttrey
00:25:17 Mr. Brensdal
00:25:41 Sen. Connell
00:26:35 Rep. Welch

Closing by Sponsor:

00:30:33 Rep. Welch

00:31:12 Chair Buttrey

HEARING ON HB 138

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:31:37 Rep. Dave Fern (D), HD 5, opened the hearing on HB 138. Revise licensing of general insurance agent laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:35:09 Dan Stusek, Office of Commissioner of Securities and Insurance, Montana State Auditor

00:38:36 Roger McGlenn, Independent Insurance Agents of Montana

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:39:29 Sen. Facey

00:41:53 Jeannie Keller, Insurance Bureau chief, Office of Commissioner of Securities and Insurance, Montana State Auditor (CSI)

Closing by Sponsor:

00:42:03 Rep. Fern

Committee Business:

00:42:34 Chair Buttrey

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 8:43 AM

Linda Keim, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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